

The Academy of Athens, during the meeting of the Plenary Session of June 17, 2021, elected the Professor of Surgery Dr. Andreas Tzakis, as its Full Member, in the announced title entitled "Medical Sciences" Surgery-Transplants ", in the First Grade.

Dr. Andreas Tzakis was born in Piraeus in 1950. He graduated in 1974 from the Medical School of the University of Athens. From 1978 to 1985 he specialized in Surgery and Transplants at Mt. Sinai and SUNY in New York, and at the University of Pittsburgh, PA. From 1985 to 2019 he served successively at all University levels and was elected Professor and Director of Transplantation at the University Hospitals of Pittsburgh, Miami, Cleveland, Pennsylvania, Florida and Ohio. In 1999 he received his PhD from the Medical School of the University of Athens.

He completed his clinical work in January 2019 and continues to this day his research work, which focuses on uterine transplants. He introduced for the first time in the world a uterine transplant from a cadaveric donor. The result of his efforts was to achieve the first child in the US in 2019 with a transplanted uterus from a corpse donor.

He is a member of 21 internationally renowned scientific medical societies, including the American Surgical Association (300 members only), and has led 5 major professional organizations related to transplants and government policy-making in the field of transplants and other related issues. health in the US.

During his career he has carried out remarkable research and writing work with numerous publications in scientific journals (more than 800 articles in the international literature and the highest recognition index (h-index) 103). At the same time, he has demonstrated significant teaching work, training surgeons around the world to perform complex surgeries and apply techniques in which he was a pioneer.

Dr. Andreas Tzakis has received numerous honors, such as an Honorary Doctorate from the University of Alexandroupolis and the University of Gothenburg in Sweden. He has been honored with the Boston Holy Cross Award and has been awarded by the House of Representatives. He was honored with the title "Archon" of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople. He was the first holder of the chair, named after him, "Tzakis chair of Transplantation" at the Miami Medical School in Florida, which was created in his honor. It is listed in the Guinness Book of World Records twice in 2000 (Millennium Edition p. 38: Most organs Transplanted in a single operation) and in 2001 (p. 179: Most organs Transplanted). In 2015 he was elected Corresponding Member of the Academy of Athens.

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